
GIMP: GNU/Image Manipulation Project

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GIMP is a cross-platform image editor available for GNU/Linux, OS X, Windows and more operating systems. It is free software; you can change its source code and distribute your changes.

GIMP website - <https://www.gimp.org/>

- Download - <https://www.gimp.org/downloads/> (identifies your OS)
- About - <https://www.gimp.org/about/>
- Docs - <https://docs.gimp.org/2.8/en/> (English manual)
- Tutorials - <https://www.gimp.org/tutorials/>

Books:

- The Artists Guide to GIMP – no starch press, <https://www.nostarch.com/>
- The Book of GIMP – no starch press, <https://www.nostarch.com/>
- How to GIMP - <http://howtogimp.com/>
- GIMP 2.8 for Photographers – rocky nook, <http://www.rockynook.com/>
- Real World Colour Management – Peach Pit Press, <http://www.peachpit.com/>

Web:

Beginner Photo Editing Basics Tutorial - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NcIPME9X_r4

Strengths / Pros:

- Free - as in free speech, not free beer.
- multiple platforms (MS, Apple, Linux...)
- manual, tutorials, Books
- non-destructive editing
- dock-able tool panels
- uses plug-ins & scripts
- bulk editing (plug-in)
- GIFs
- colour management (profiles)
- input devices e.g.: waco – pen & touch
- multi language support
- customisable

Weaknesses / Cons:

- free
- multi-platform
- steep learning curve
- raw files need to pre-processed (MS, I OS)